

Remarks

The present amendments are submitted to correct what Applicant believes are merely typographical errors in the Examiner's amendment mailed March 25, 2010.

Independent claim 81 is amended:

- at line 5, to remove "capable" which should not appear between "sleeve" and "configured" ("the sleeve ~~capable~~ configured such that when lengthened");
- at line 7, to remove "a" which should not appear between "along" and "the" ("along [[a]] the length"); and
- at line 9, to remove "be" which should not appear between "shortened" and "the" ("when shortened [[be]] the compressive").

Independent claim 95 is amended:

- at line 7, to remove "a" which should not appear between "along" and "the" ("along [[a]] the length").

Independent claim 101 is amended:

- at line 7 to remove "a" which should not appear between "along" and "the" ("along [[a]] the length").

Applicant does not believe these amendments affect the scope of the claims allowed by the Examiner or raise any new questions of patentability, and Applicant therefore respectfully requests entry of these amendments prior to issuance. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned with any questions or suggestions relating to the application.

Respectfully submitted,



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